

Service Date: March 1, 1991

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SERVICE REGULATION
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

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| IN THE MATTER Of The Application |) | UTILITY DIVISION |
| Of SHELBY GAS ASSOCIATION For |) | DOCKET NO. 88.10.42 |
| Authority To Increase Charges |) | FINAL ORDER NO. 5370B |
| For Natural Gas Service. |) | |
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FINDINGS OF FACT

1. SHELBY GAS ASSOCIATION (Applicant) applied to this Commission for an order authorizing an increase in the rates Applicant charges for natural gas service. The application sought authority to increase rates in order to reflect all cost resulting from a rate increase granted The Montana Power Company (Company) in Docket No. 88.6.15.

2. A Notice of Opportunity For Public Hearing was issued and no protests nor requests for hearing were received.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

1. Applicant is a "public utility" within the meaning of Section 69-3-101, MCA.

2. The Montana Public Service Commission properly exercises jurisdiction over the Applicant's Montana operations pursuant to Title 69, Chapter 3, MCA.

ORDER

1. Rates approved on an interim basis are hereby made permanent.

DONE IN OPEN SESSION at Helena, Montana this 11th day of February, 1991 by a 5 - 0 vote.

BY ORDER OF THE MONTANA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

HOWARD L. ELLIS, Chairman

DANNY OBERG, Vice Chairman

WALLACE W. "WALLY" MERCER, Commissioner

JOHN B. DRISCOLL, Commissioner

BOB ANDERSON, Commissioner

ATTEST:

Ann Peck
Commission Secretary

(SEAL)

NOTE: Any interested party may request that the Commission reconsider this decision. A motion to reconsider must be filed within ten (10) days. See 38.2.4806, ARM.